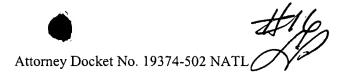
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the January 24, 2003 Office Action in the above-identified application. With this extension of time, a response is due on July 24, 2003. Check No. 16727 in the amount of \$465.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 19374-502NATL. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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